

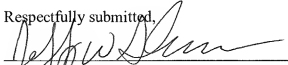
### REMARKS

While the Applicant disagrees with the Examiner's contentions that it allegedly is proper to reject the cancelled claims under 35 USC §102, 103 or 112, new claims 123-138 are being submitted herewith in an attempt to overcome the Examiner's rejections. In particular, new claim 123 is believed to be equivalent in scope to cancelled claim 104 which the Examiner indicated would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. All of the new claims recite a "structural component" instead of a "flashlight component" and, therefore, are believed to be in compliance with 35 USC §112. For these reasons, it is respectfully submitted that the new claims should be found to be in condition for allowance. Therefore, a formal notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would help to expedite the prosecution of this application, then he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at his convenience.

No inference should be drawn that, by submitting this preliminary amendment, Applicant has conceded that the Examiner's rejections stated in the August 17<sup>th</sup> Official Action are proper. In this regard, Applicant reserves the right to try to obtain patent protection on the subject matter of the cancelled claims in connection with another patent application.

Respectfully submitted,



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